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For: NOVEL CLEAR BEVERAGE OPTIONALLY ALCOHOLIC CONTAINING ANETHOL AND

CLOUDY DILUTED BEVERAGE OBTAINED BY DILUTION

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The instant paper responds to the Office action mailed February 14, 2001.

IN THE CLAIMS

Can sel claims 1-19 and substitute the following claims.

- --20 Alcoholic or nonalcoholic beverage containing anethol, comprising an effective amount of at least one phospholipid, acceptable as an additive in human food, in order to improve the visible solubility of the anethol in said beverage.
- 21. Alcoholic or nonalcoholic beverage according to claim 20, wherein the phospholipid is selected from the group of phospholipids present in lecithins of vegetable or animal origin.
- 22. Alcoholic or nonalcoholic beverage according to claim 21, wherein the phospholipid corresponds to the formula:

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